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1. WE HAVE MADE THE DEMARCHE DIRECTED BY THE REFTEL TO
DEPUTY MFA SECRETARY NOEL DORR AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY
DERMOTT WALSRON, BOTH DEMURRED ON MAKING COMMENTS, POINTING OUT
THAT THE DECISION-MAKING IN THIS FIELD IS PRIMARILY IN THE
LABOR MINISTRY. ACCORDINGLY, WE DISCUSSED THE INTERNATIONAL
LABOR CONFERENCE (ILC) WITH LABOR SECRETARY TADHG O'CARROL
AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY IAN FINLAY. LABOR MINISTER O'LEARY
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HAS BEEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY THIS WEEK, BUT I HAVE
ARRANGED TO MEET WITH HIM ON MONDAY, MAY 16. THE
POLITICAL OFFICER WILL DISCUSS THE ILC WITH THE TWO KEY
WORKER DELEGATES, W.J. FITZPATRICK AND M.J. GRIFFIN.

2. O'CARROL, WHO HAS BEEN GOING TO ILO CONVENTIONS FOR
MANY YEARS, POINTED OUT THAT THE ILO WAS THE FIRST INTER-

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION TO ACCEPT IRELAND AS A SOVEREIGN STATE (IN THE 1920'S) AND THE IRISH HAVE HAD A PECULIARLY WARM AND VITAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ORGANIZATION SINCE. THUS THE GOI WOULD FIND IT PARTICULARLY TRAGIC TO SEE THE ORGANIZATION CRIPPLED OR EVEN DISAPPEAR, WHICH WOULD HAPPEN FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES, HE SAID, IF THE US WITHDREW. THUS, UNDER ITS USUAL CONSTRAINTS TO GO ALONG WITH THE OTHER EC COUNTRIES, THE GOI WOULD DO EVERYTHING IT COULD, WITHIN ITS SMALL RESOURCES, TO ASSIST OUR EFFORTS TO GET THE ORGANIZATION BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL FUNCTION AND PRINCIPLES.

3. LABOR MINISTER O'LEARY WILL HEAD THE IRISH DELEGATION, AT LEAST IN THE BEGINNING. AFTER HIS STINT AS ILC PRESIDENT LAST YEAR, WHICH WE GATHER WAS NOT ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY FROM THE USG STANDPOINT, HE IS WELL KNOWN IN THE ILO CIRCLES AND APPARENTLY HAS CONSIDERABLE RAPPORt WITH SOME LDC REPRESENTATIVES. WE WILL URGE HIM TO TAKE PRACTICAL STEPS TO ASSIST IN THE MAJOR PROBLEMS AS DESCRIBED IN THE REFTEL, AND WILL PARTICULARLY URGE HIM TO CONSULT EARLY WITH THE US DELEGATION. RENDAHL

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